## **SUMMARY**

## ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 56 COMPANIES FINANCIAL REGULATIONS FEE

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## LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY FOR RULE

Ark. Code Ann. § 23-100-106 and 23-61-108.

## BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF RULE

This rule governs the financial regulation fee insurers must pay annually pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §23-61-703. It also clarifies that the method of submitting the amount to AID is electronically through the "OptIns" System.

The statute was amended in 2009 by Act 726, §9 to make the fee due on or before June 1st of each year. The current AID Rule 56 became effective in 1993, and still reflects the due date of June 30<sup>th</sup> from the former statute; this amendment will align the dates.